My name is Julie Alexander, I have been on the Milwaukee County Combined Community Services Board for a bit more than a year. I am a person with a disability who has worked at Independence First for over 30 years. I assist individuals with all types of disabilities, and all ages who wish to transition from a nursing home to an apartment, or other options of their choice. In addition to my work with this board, I chair the Long Term Care Advocacy Team at Independence First. I also am a member of the National Council for Independent Living ADA Advocacy Subcommittee, NCIL Mental Health Subcommittee, and the Wisconsin Coalition of Independent Living Centers Mental Health subcommittee. On a local level I am a cochairman of the Wauwatosa Commissions of Citizens with Disabilities. I am deeply committed to and involved in advocating for the rights of all people with disabilities.